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LANGPORT RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

June 19th, 1942.

To the Chairman and Members of the District Council.

Gentlemen,

In accordance with instructions received from the Ministry of Health re the Annual Report, I have confined this report to Vital Statistics only.

I am pleased to report that, beyond an epidemic of Measles, and a few sporadic cases of Scarlet Fever in which fortunately none of these have proved fatal, the Notifications of Infectious Diseases have been very low.

I am, Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,
Your Obedient Servant,

R. P. Hosford.

Medical Officer of Health.

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TABLE 1.

Summary Census of Vital Statistics.

	1941.	1940.	1939.	1938.	1937.
Estimated Population.	14,810	13,190	11,900	11,960	12,090
Number of Registered Births.	190	169	154	136	145
Birth Rate per 1,000	12.83	12.13	13.00	11.37	12.00
Deaths, all causes, after correction by the Registrar General.	176	187	158	157	188
Death Rate per 1,000.	11.88	14.18	13.30	13.12	15.50
Infantile Mortality Rate. i.e number of deaths under 1 year per 1,000 births.	21.05	65.10	26.00	36.70	55.20
Total number of deaths under one year of age.	4	11	4	5	8

TABLE 2.

Causes of Death during the Year 1941.

<u>Causes of Death.</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female.</u>
Tuberculosis (lungs)	4	1
Syphilitic Diseases	0	1
Influenza	0	2
Cancer	14	17
Diabetes	3	1
Cerebral Haemorrhage	8	11
Heart Disease	21	23
Other Circulatory Diseases	3	3
Bronchitis	5	2
Pneumonia	9	2
Ulcer of Stomach or Duodenum	0	2
Other Digestive Diseases	1	2
Nephritis	5	3
Maternal causes	0	1
Road Traffic Accidents	1	2
Other Violent Causes	1	4
All other causes	11	13

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TABLE 3.

Notifiable Diseases (other than Tuberculosis).

Incidence of Infectious Diseases Notified during 1941 & 1940.

	<u>1941.</u>	<u>1940.</u>
Scarlet Fever	16	5
Diphtheria	3	3
Erysipelas	1	3
Pneumonia	12	11
Puerperal Pyrexia	3	4
Whooping Cough	44	60
Measles	208	139

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TUBERCULOSIS.

During the Year, 19 cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis and 2 of Tuberculosis (other forms) were reported to me, making a total of 21 cases.

The Number of Deaths during the Year was 5, being 4 Pulmonary and 1 Non Pulmonary.

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